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Applicant	Hans Poisel
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Title of Application:	Device For Receiving Optical Signals By Means Of A Light-Guiding Object
Group Art Unit:	3662
Examiner	Nelson Moskowitz

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Preliminary Amendment Accompanying CPA

Dear Sir:

This Preliminary Amendment is filed in conjunction with a Continuing Prosecution Application and responses to the Official Action of March 9, 2001.

Amendment Revisions**In the claims**

Please amend the claims as follows:

Please cancel claims 9-17.

Please add new claims 18-24.

18. A device for receiving optical signals, comprising:

a light-guiding object having a lateral irradiation surface for receiving light of optical signals having a given wavelength, the irradiation surface being adjacent to a

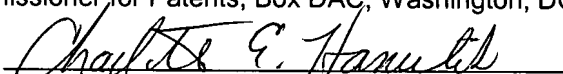
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